GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:55
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2002
AMENDMENT TO SIKH GURDWARA ACT
SIMRANJIT SINGH MANN

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received resolutions of Shiromani Gurdwara Prahbandhak Committee regarding amendment in section 2 of subsection 10A of the Sikh Gurdwara Act, 1925;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(c) the time by which the notification is likely to be issued in this regard;

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a), (b) & (c): The Shiromani Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee in their Resolution dated 30.11.2000 passed by the General House had recommended some amendments of the Sikh Gurdwaras Act, 1925 relating to lowering of `voter`s age from 21 years to 18 years and certain amendments in the definition of `Sikh`. A copy of the Resolution was sent to the State Government of Punjab for their comments. The action to amend the Sikh Gurdwaras Act, 1925 based on the Resolution of Shiromani Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee would be finalized after obtaining the views of the concerned parties.